

REMARKS

In response to the Restriction Requirement, dated September 11, 2006, applicants hereby elect without traverse the claims of Group II (claims 13-15), which are drawn to a process of producing a pearlescent white finish on a substrate. Claims 1-12 have been canceled without prejudice to a subsequently filed divisional or continuation application. New claims 18-28 have been added herein. These new claims, which depend directly or indirectly from claim 13, add the same features as recited in now canceled claims 2-12, these features now recited as part of a process, rather than a composition, claim.

Applicants reserve the right to file one or more divisional, continuation, or continuation-in-part applications directed to withdrawn or canceled subject matter disclosed in the application as originally filed.

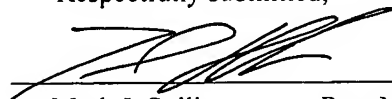
CONCLUSIONS

It is respectfully submitted that all claims are now in condition for allowance, early notice of which would be appreciated. Should the Examiner disagree, Applicant respectfully requests a telephonic or in-person interview with the undersigned attorney to discuss any remaining issues and to expedite the eventual allowance of the claims.

Except for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any necessary fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17, which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0310.

Respectfully submitted,

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